Community Advisory Board on Public Safety Realignment (CAB) Minutes – September 12, 2019

CAB Members Present: Lisa Gregory, Harry Thurston, DeVonn Powers, Rolanda Wilson, Frank Hancock, Michael Pitts, Dolores Williams, Henrissa Bassey

CAB Members Absent: Chala Bonner

Public Present: Donté Blue, Monica Carlisle, Jill Ray, Charles Brown, Patrice Guillory, Janna Evans, Pat Mims, Alicia Nuchols, Michelle Stewart, Jody Sicheneder, Robert Nelson, Angelene Musawwir, Talia Rubin, Andrea Crider, Mary Sylla, Ali Saidi, Ellen McDonnell

Meeting called to order at 10:05 a.m.

1) Introductions

2) Announcements and Public Comments:

- a) No public comment
- b) Anthony Hailey resigned from CAB due to health issues
- c) There are currently 9 CAB members and a need for 3 additional voting members and 3 non-voting alternate members
- d) Harry Thurston to send out diversity and skills survey to CAB members
- e) District Attorney Diana Becton sent letter of thank you to CAB
- f) Pat Mims discussed the Restorative Justice Circles at the Reentry Success Center (RSC) on Wednesday evenings, the Game Night at RSC from 5 to 8 pm, and the next Partners and Providers meeting on 10/8/19
- g) Henrissa Bassey noted the Traffic Clinic being held on 10/4/19 at Reentry Success Center
- h) Mary Sylla encouraged members' attendance at the Board of Supervisors meeting on 9/17/19 where there will be a discussion of a moratorium on fines/fees
- i) Lisa Gregory mentioned the Resource Fair being held in East County on 9/19/19
- j) Harry Thurston mentioned the Deep Democracy Forum on 10/26/19

3) CAB Meeting Minutes - 08/08/19

- a) Rolanda Wilson made motion to approve 8/8/19 CAB meeting minutes
- b) DeVonn Powers seconded
- c) VOTE: unanimous approval: 8-0

4) Presentation by Stand Together Contra Costa, Ali Saidi

- a) Rapid response organization for immigration issues
- b) Currently a pilot program providing legal assistance to those affected by immigration issues
- c) Partially funded by AB 109 funds

5) Appoint Harry Thurston to CAB Policy and Budget Subcommittee

- a) Lisa Gregory made motion to approve
- b) Rolanda Wilson seconded
- c) VOTE: unanimous approval: 8-0

6) Appoint proxy alternate on Local Advisory Committee (LAC) for CoCo LEAD Plus

- a) After discussion Frank Hancock volunteered
- Rolanda Wilson made motion to appoint Frank Hancock as proxy alternate for LAC for CoCo LEAD Plus
- c) Lisa Gregory seconded
- d) VOTE: Unanimous approval: 8-0

7) Approve CAB Ambassadors Program Talking Points

- a) Reviewed and Discussed the 2018 Talking Points
- b) There were some concerns that CAB should press for more accountability and encourage the linking of funding to demonstrable outcomes
- Rolanda Wilson made motion to approve revised CAB Ambassadors Program Talking Points
- d) Michael Pitts seconded
- e) VOTE: unanimous approval: 8-0

8) CAB Member Meeting Minutes

- a) Harry Thurston reported on the BOS meeting
- b) Harry Thurston reported on the CCP meeting where the CAB Innovation Fund recommendations were changed to allocating \$150,000 to fund existing programs currently funded by the innovation fund and releasing an RFP for up to \$300,000 to fund additional innovative reentry programs with preference points given to programs targeting youth, at-risk population and employment.
- c) Recommended that in the future CAB makes recommendations based on perceived need and not tied to a dollar amount.
- d) CAB is invited to participate in the RFP review process. CAB will appoint a member to join the RFP review panel at the next CAB meeting.
- e) Lisa Gregory reported on the CAB Policy & Budget Subcommittee meeting.
- f) Rolanda Wilson reported on Programs and Services subcommittee meeting
 - i) Committee is exploring where the gap in transportation service is
 - ii) Discussed lack of shelter options for those released from County jail during nonbusiness hours
 - iii) Will consider marketing to bridge the stigma facing formerly incarcerated community members
- g) Michael Pitts reported on Outreach and Community Engagement Committee meeting and its efforts to solicit additional CAB members
 - i) Committee has received 3 applications that will be reviewed and voted on at the next CAB meeting
 - ii) Will continue outreach efforts

9) Adjourn

Glossary of Acronyms, Abbreviations, and other Terms (in alphabetical order): Contra Costa County has a policy of making limited use of acronyms, abbreviations, and industry-specific language in its meetings and written materials. Following is a list of acronyms that may be used in the Community Advisory Board on Realignment meetings:

AB Assembly Bill

BOS Board of Supervisors

CAB Community Advisory Board

CBO Community Based Organization

BART Bay Area Rapid Transit

CCIH Contra Costa Interfaith Housing

CCITH Contra Costa Interfaith Transitional Housing

CCP Community Corrections Partnership

CORE Coordinated Outreach Referral, Engagement

FISH Families in Supportive Housing

GRIP Great Richmond Interfaith Program

H3 Health Housing and Homeless

HDAP Housing & Disability Advocacy Program

ORJ Office of Reentry and Justice

PPC Public Protection Committee

QAC Quality Assurance Committee

RCD Resources for Community Development, a local affordable housing developer

RFP Request for Proposals

SSSHP Scattered Site Supportive Housing Program